

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT



Application No. 16867 of R. Bradley Runyan, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1, for a special exception to construct a roof deck on a single-family dwelling under section 223, not meeting the lot occupancy (section 403) requirements, and a variance allowing relief from the penthouse set back provisions under subsection 411.11 (section 400.7(b)), in the DCOD/R-5-B District at premises 1317 21st Street, N.W. (Square 97, Lot 60).

Note: The Board revised the application to require variance relief from section 411.11(400.7(b)).

HEARING DATE: May 14, 2002
DECISION DATE: May 14, 2002 (Bench Decision)

SUMMARY ORDER

SELF-CERTIFIED

The zoning relief requested in this case was self-certified, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3113.2.

The Board provided proper and timely notice of public hearing on this application by publication in the D.C. Register, and by mail to Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B, and to the owners of property within 200 feet of the site. The application was also referred to the Office of Planning for review and report.

The site of this application is located within the jurisdiction of ANC 2B. ANC 2B, which is automatically a party to the application submitted a letter in support of the application. The Office of Planning submitted a report in support of the application.

As directed by 11 DCMR § 3119.2, the Board has required the applicant to satisfy the burden of proving the elements which are necessary to establish the case for a special exception from the strict application of the requirements of 11 DCMR §§ 3104.1 and 223, and for a variance under 11 DCMR §§ 3103.2, 411 and 400.7(b). No person or entity appeared at the public hearing in opposition to this application or otherwise requested to participate as a party in this proceeding. Accordingly, a decision by the Board to grant this application would not be adverse to any party.

Based upon the record before the Board, the Board concludes that the Applicant has met the burden of proof, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1 for a special exception under section

223, which will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps and will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps. The applicant has also met the burden of proving under 11 DCMR §§ 3103.2, 411, and 400.7(b), that there exists an exceptional or extraordinary situation or condition related to the property that creates a practical difficulty for the owner in complying with the Zoning Regulations, and that the relief can be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without substantially impairing the intent, purpose, and integrity of the zone plan as embodied in the Zoning Regulations and Map. It is therefore **ORDERED** that this application be **GRANTED**.

Pursuant to 11 DCMR 3101.6, the Board has determined to waive the requirement of 11 DCMR 3125.3 that the order of the Board be accompanied by findings of fact and conclusions of law. The waiver will not prejudice the rights of any party, and is appropriate in this case.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (Geoffrey H. Griffis, Carol J. Mitten, Anne M. Renshaw, Curtis L. Etherly, Jr., and David W. Levy to Approve).

BY ORDER OF THE D.C. BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

Each concurring member has approved the issuance of this order.

ATTESTED BY: 
JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA
Director, Office of Zoning

Final Date of Order: MAY 17 2002

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3125.6, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME FINAL UPON ITS FILING IN THE RECORD AND SERVICE UPON THE PARTIES. UNDER 11 DCMR § 3125.9, THIS ORDER WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE TEN DAYS AFTER IT BECOMES FINAL.

PURSUANT TO 11 DCMR § 3130, THIS ORDER SHALL NOT BE VALID FOR MORE THAN TWO YEARS AFTER IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE UNLESS, WITHIN SUCH TWO-YEAR PERIOD, THE APPLICANT FILES PLANS FOR THE PROPOSED STRUCTURE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECURING A BUILDING PERMIT.

THE APPLICANT SHALL COMPLY FULLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT OF 1977, D.C. LAW 2-38, AS AMENDED, CODIFIED AS

CHAPTER 25 IN TITLE 1 OF THE D.C. CODE. *SEE* D.C. CODE § 1-2531 (1999). THIS ORDER IS CONDITIONED UPON FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT. THE FAILURE OR REFUSAL OF THE APPLICANT TO COMPLY SHALL BE A PROPER BASIS FOR THE REVOCATION OF THIS ORDER.

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As Director of the Office of Zoning, I hereby certify and attest that on MAY 17 2002 a copy of the order entered on that date in this matter was mailed first class, postage prepaid or delivered via inter-agency mail, to each party and public agency who appeared and participated in the public hearing concerning the matter, and who is listed below:

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